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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the prosecution of the captioned application, which is a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and claims priority to international application number PCT/EP99/10123 filed December 20, 1999 and Swedish application number 9804465.4 filed December 22, 1998.

In the Claims

Please amend page 18, line 1 as follows:

[C L A I M S]

What is claimed is:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (once amended) [A] In a method for selectively enriching/removing a serum albumin from a mixture of other compounds by contacting said mixture with a ligand (= X), the improvement comprising said ligand
 - a) having affinity for and enabling binding of the serum albumin and

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